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Hastings Regional Center Employee Recognized as DHHS Supervisor of the Year; October is Nebraska State Employee Recognition Month

Lincoln – Travis Harms, youth security supervisor at the Hastings Regional Center, was recently recognized as one of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services' (DHHS) supervisors of the year.

October is Nebraska State Employee Recognition Month. State agencies are allowed to select one employee and one supervisor of the year for every 500 people employed by the agency.

The employees will be honored Tuesday, Oct. 28, with a reception at the Capitol Rotunda, a reception at the Governor's Residence and a DHHS recognition at the Embassy Suites.

"It is a true honor when someone is nominated by their peers for this recognition," said Kerry Winterer, DHHS CEO. "These employees and supervisors are clearly an inspiration to the people they work with and the people they serve. They are role models for all of us."

Harms was nominated by his fellow employees for his "calm and professional demeanor" and his willingness to "drop what he's working on to help out his coworkers."

His peers said he has a "great relationship with the youth, challenging them to do well in the program and role modeling mature adult male behavior for them at all times."

The Hastings Regional Center is one of three regional centers operated by DHHS' Division of Behavioral Health.